

## Reorganization: An issue affecting everyone

By Mary Ellen Walsh

U.S. Senator Kevin B. Harrington (President of the Senate) has proposed a Bill that would reorganize the structure of the Massachusetts State college system, and at the present time there is strong sentiment on both sides of the issue. However, despite the rumors that whisper that Reorganization will come to Massachusetts, those members of the academic communities involved must not be entirely ignored when evaluating the possibilities of the success of this legislature.

Basically, what this Bill proposes is a merging of the major state colleges, thus ostensibly cutting down on the overall budget by phasing out departments on some campuses and relocating them on others, operating under one budget and sharing the wealth, and reaping the benefits supposedly inherent in large organizations. Viewed from a taxpayer's standpoint, lopping off a sizeable hunk of money from the state college expense account would be a most desirable relief, and it is such a savings that the proponents of reorganization intimate will be forthcoming with the passage of their bill.

But a professor whose job will be on its way out on a local campus might be slightly less than enthusiastic about the proposal, despite the fact that his taxes, too, might not rise still more because of the state school conglomeration. And the student who attends that local campus might be deprived of a major, thus making it impossible for him to pursue his chosen career without encountering the added expense of travel or board in the larger facility that now offers his curriculum.

Fitchburg State College, under the reorganization package, would be annexed to the University of Massachusetts, and would gain the prestige that such a merger would afford; we would be the University of Mass. at Fitchburg and would graduate from a more universally recognized school. But the money allocated to the state would land mostly at the campus with the most students, and Amherst certainly accommodates more bodies than FSC, so we would probably always get the dregs of state funds. Some majors would undoubtedly be phased out here and offered at the larger facility, but for the area commuter this might mean a complete re-evaluation of

goals, circumstances...a re-planning of everything.

Whole departments could get the axe and necessitate the transfer of many students in order to allow them to complete degree requirements. The internal variety of a campus on which many diverse subjects are offered would give way to a more specialized atmosphere where one area of endeavor would perhaps dominate in a given area. For example, here at FSC, such up and coming new courses as Media, and an old established but continually popular course like IA would remain, while the arts and sciences would be removed and offered at U Mass. No matter which way this possibility is viewed it can only mean that many potential Bio and Psych majors would be turned away...even a huge monster like U Mass can only absorb so many bodies.

The "megalo-university" seems to loom as a reality in the near future, with all its promises of a new and better way in education. It just might be considered, however, that the face of education might be altered in such a manner as to create an entirely different beast...a beast of prey, voracious and dangerous, appealing in its rapacious splendor,

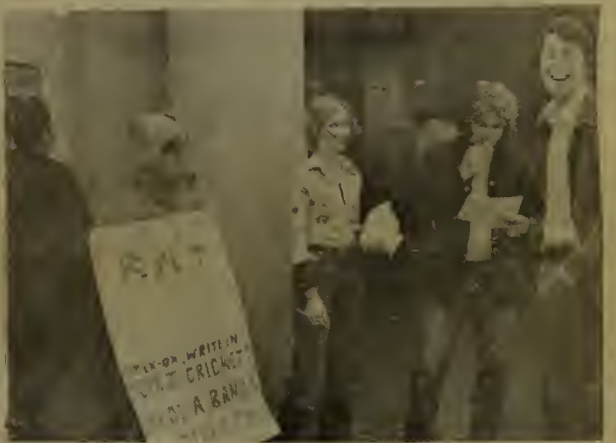
faults. We might wish to examine the proposal carefully, bearing in mind not only its immediate effects on our own snug safety, but also the long term, long range effects that such changes might have on the future of higher education itself. We have all seen both the fantastic benefits and the irritating blunders of the computer, amazing in its accomplishments, frustrating in its huge unreachable capacity for error, and so it could be with the acceptance of reorganization as it is now proposed...We may reap some benefits; there might be short and long-term rewards to be derived from this move, but many valuable, if less spectacular, considerations could get plowed under with the creation of this educational Frankenstein.

We suggest that you, the student, you the faculty member, you, the employee of FSC - familiarize yourself with Senator Harrington's proposed reorganization plans and make some evaluations of your own... then the choices are ours. We do have a voice; we can exert influence, and it only remains for an informed and concerned student/faculty populace to stand up and be counted on the reorganization issue.

## "Bomb..."

The past two weeks have contained two more Bomb Scares, both directed at Thompson Hall; the first was on Friday, 11/7/75 at 11 a.m., and the second on Friday 11/14, one week later, around 3 p.m. All inhabitants of the building were evacuated, and the usual search was conducted by police and fire department. A word to the lethal prankster; such tactics are too gauche for words...there is no room for amusement of this sort on a college campus...or anywhere for that matter. This sort of hoax is a waste of time and money, not to mention the inconvenience caused...but the most obvious reason not to

use this foolish means to avoid that inevitable exam is that the police and fire department members and equipment used to respond to false alarms such as this might be needed elsewhere for a real emergency, and then the bomb caller would be responsible for more than just wasted time and numerous pains in the neck; he or she might be sitting awake nights thinking of the indirect responsibility assumed in the deaths of the victims of a real disaster. We suggest that the phantom phoner put itching powder up his nose and amputate his dialing finger... either that or just cut it out...okay?



## Election results

Student elections were held here on the 5th and 6th of November, and out of a student body of some 3,000, about 600 ballots were cast. This percentage may seem small, but when compared to last year's turnout of 300 out of a student enrollment of about the same number, then the improvement is encouraging. As with any student election, there is the factor of diversity; many individuals may have hesitated to vote for someone they did not know. But elections are over now and the results are in; the task remains before the newly elected officials to fulfill the obligations of their respective positions as representatives of student interests at FSC.

## Elections over winners announced

Vice President, Student Government Executive Board - WALTER KING won with 454 votes over his write-in opponent, JOHN CRICKET who had 203 votes. Recording Secretary - ARGERIE TOLOS ran unopposed and obtained 496 votes. Treasurer - RONALD GONTHIER received 599 votes; no opposition.

Editor-in-Chief of the Rhetoric - STEVE WALKOWICZ, running unopposed received 611 votes, the most votes received by any candidate in this election.

Commuter Board - President - JOHN BOISVERT won with 187 votes to his opponent's 86. John won a total of 3 places in this election, this position, that of Senior class Representative, Commuters Board, and that of Senior class Representative. John will accept and retain his position as President of the Commuters Board.

(MARY SULLIVAN, the runner up for the position of Senior Class Rep. has not yet contacted the Student Government as to whether or not she will accept the position. The other position, that of Senior Class Representative, commuters board, will be appointed by student council.)

Vice President - AILA JUVONER won with an uncontested 235 votes. Secretary - CAROL BANKS received 6 votes. Representatives - Senior Class JOHN BOISVERT won with 5 votes, as mentioned. Junior Class JANICE FARINEAU got a whopping 118 votes, no opposition. Sophomore Class DAVID ROBERTS won over his write-in opponent, CAROL BANKS 134 to 28. Freshman Class ROBERT DICKER defeated CHRISTOPHER HERTEL 120 to 60.

Sophomore Class: Secretary - LINDA RAYNARD received 3 write-in votes. This was the only executive position open in the

Sophomore class. Linda, however, will not accept the position. Representatives - (1 opening available) EILEEN CAPOZZOLI defeated ANN NORTON 74 to 63, and a write-in candidate, ANNE GILBEIN received 55 votes.

Junior Class: Treasurer - This was a write-in vote, but it was incorrectly presented as "Class Secretary" on the ballot when the opening existing is for a Treasurer; therefore this position is still open and another election will probably be held to fill it. Representatives - WILLIAM COLLINS received 94 votes...a definite win, but a tie exists between DEBRA PARE and CHARLES MAY, each receiving 4 votes. There will be a resolution on this issue very soon. Senior Class Representative - (1 opening) MARY SULLIVAN is the winner, as JOHN BOISVERT who tied with 4 votes, will not accept the position. Acting Secretary - will be JACQUELINE BELIVEAU who received 7 votes.

The Freshman Class, of course, was up for all offices and representatives, and the results are as follows: President - ROBERT BROWN triumphed over NORMA JEAN WELDON 204 to 86. Vice-President - DIANE GARIEPY lost to ROBERT RICH 134 to 141. Treasurer - The winner, KAREN BORSUK received 112 votes to BELINDA BENOSIK'S 37. Secretary - SUSAN BRENNAN won with an uncontested 147 votes. Representatives - JEREMIAH FALVEY received 95 votes; DAVID MUNROE 93, INGEBORG THOMASSIN 92, and BRIAN M. MURPHY a write-in of 2 votes. Winter Carnival Chairman - ANNA FIFFY received 5 write-ins and SUSAN HIRSH 6. Both obtained the positions in question.

## Vacancies

Currently, these positions still remain open: Secretary, Sophomore Class; Treasurer, Junior Class; and Senior Class Representative stands tentative awaiting a decision by the winner. One tie stands for the position of Junior Class Representative.

**MEET SGA...**  
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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

...AND OTHER PEOPLE



Dear Ed.

Apathy, well yes there still is an amount on this campus. But I was glad to see the great turnout the people on this campus gave us at the home soccer games; I know one of the games was in the rain and one was a very poor exhibition of soccer but still the fans came and gave us the support to carry on and take our hearts with us and carry our heads high because we had people who cared what happened and gave two shits what went on at this campus. People like Al Powers, Donny Mahoney, Jerry Lynch and John Dolan who gave a lot of time and energy to help us through our season; I can only give my warmest and sincere thanks. And to our loyal fans, you people are great! You make playing the season worthwhile and give myself and the other players something to shoot for, winning for the Burg.

I thank you again  
Michael P. Grenier

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

This has got to STOP!! We are getting darn sick of having twenty to fifty people in our hall waiting for supper/meals. This is a problem which doesn't face all students but it's very important to us. Our doors are kicked, written on, and we are just generally disturbed. And this is what we try to call home. To think that the Administration calls this a dorm is a joke, it's more like a sidewalk. How are we supposed to be able to study or have any privacy while we have a moh (and a hungry one at that) at our door. On top of it we can't figure out what the hell they're all waiting for because it certainly can't be food. If it is they are waiting at the wrong door because they won't find it there. They should try! De'Moulas. Their chances are much better. Last week one of us had his doorknob chewed off by some starving co-ed.

Signed  
THE DIATOMS AND 1st  
South

Due to an influx of controversial letters, Rhetoric is implementing a new policy. Letters must be accompanied by a signed name and address, to be withheld if the writer so wishes. This is for the sole protection of Rhetoric. All letters will be held strictly confidential by the editor.

Dear Editor

I am incarcerated in prison and would like to correspond with college students. I'll answer all letters as quickly as possible. Write soon please! Thank you.

Robert Edward Strozier  
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Lucasville, Ohio 45648

## LETTERS TO THE ED

Editor,

In reply to the editorial by Mark Terry in the last issue of the Rhetoric, proclaiming the Catholic Religion as the only true Religion:

I myself am a Catholic. I was born and raised in the Catholic Church and have taken part in all of the Holy Sacraments it offers (except Holy Matrimony). However, the last few years I have looked at myself as more of a Christian than a Catholic. I do believe that the answer to salvation and to enjoying our earthly existence to its fullest is Jesus, but you can follow and love Him without being Catholic. Some of the happiest, most self-adjusted people I've ever known were not Catholics, but were still Christians. They have had a lot to do with the forming of my present religious beliefs. I'm less formal with God now, and He's become more of a good friend to me rather than the totally just and loving dictator he used to be. In the Bible God says that those who believe in His Son Jesus as the redeemer of the world will be given ever lasting life. It doesn't say anything about the Catholic Religion being the only way to believe.

Jeff Olszewski

Dear Sirs

I enjoy the liberal tone of your newspaper. It seems a fruition of the revolution against stolid sexual mores. If ever you desire to insert centerfolds look me up.

Sincerely  
Bob Guccione

Dear SGA

WE really don't know who the hell you think you are, however you really are over-using your so-called power. Who are you to tell all organizations on campus to verify themselves with you or else he considered null and void? By who? You? We do appreciate your efforts to organize and help students here at FSC and we will gladly take your wishes into our consideration however; your reprimand is ludicrous. No way do you have the right to determine who is and who is not to be an organization. With so many other problems concerning students, tuition, and new state laws, you really have your hands full. Yours is by no means an unreasonable request, but it is, in our eyes, a futile attempt to show power that doesn't exist. We do not wish to contest you however; we do want you to consider our right to form private organizations.

Sincerely - Diatoms

To the Editors,

You are very lucky to be working with Mary Ellen Walsh.

After reading her "You're Easy" I have fallen in love with her.

She is beautiful. But take care of her, for I can't.

Quasimodo

(Editor's note) We are indeed lucky but please understand that she is not easy.

Dear Editor:

What happened? Last week's issue was almost a straight paper. No funny, useless articles at all, save for Miss Morningstar, who I especially like to read about. Don't tell me you gave in to all those women's libbers etc. Did they pressure you to turn the only salvation to be found on campus (the Rhetoric) into a voicebox for real truths and misgivings? Come on Steve, show your bunk and balls and let's get down to a sick puppy, meaningless and downright dumb newspaper. This means no serious junk. Really I'm serious!

The Good Jerr

Dear Editor,

I would like to make a reply to the letter from Mark Terry in the last issue. This concerned the salvation of a person being dependent on membership in the Holy Roman Catholic Church. I myself am a Roman Catholic, raised to be a deeply religious person; however, it is easy to see the limits of Mr. Terry's beliefs.

To sum up the letter: you have to belong to the catholic church in order to gain salvation. This possibly could be true (though we can't find out yet), but certain things Jesus has said seem to contradict this belief. He said, in the Beatitudes, "Blessed be the humble, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven...Blessed be those whose hearts are pure, for they shall see God. Blessed be the peacemakers, for they shall be called Sons of God...Blessed be those who are persecuted for justice's sake, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. And blessed are you when you are reviled and persecuted for my sake, for a tremendous reward awaits you in Heaven." Jesus, in saying this, didn't say "but only if you are converted to this new religion I'm starting". He stated that good PEOPLE who strive for humbleness, purity, justice and peace would go to Heaven, whether they were Christians, pagans or Jews.

In Matthew 22:1-14, Jesus describes a wedding banquet given by a king. When the important guests he invited didn't come he sent his servants out to invite everyone, good, bad, rich and poor to his banquet; one man who came refused to wear the wedding robe provided him, and was kicked out. All the people invited can be likened to all catholic people; the man without the wedding robe being the catholics who only go through the rituals of their religion. Jesus also saved many people who were, in their time, what Jews, Protestants and, in general, non Christians are today. Jesus saved Saul, a Roman (St. Paul); Matthew (a tax collector); and a Syrophenician, to name a few. He didn't limit salvation to Jews; Jews and Gentiles, by the goodness that they showed, could all be saved. I am sure that this is true of Catholics and non Catholics, too. -God will judge us more on our merits, and less on what religion we belong to.

Upon reading the letter from Mr. Terry, I was surprised and appalled. At first I thought that he was joking, but the letter was too sick to be humorous. Instead, I pray to God that he'll learn that God, of whom Jesus Christ is a part, is not so narrow as to judge a person unworthy of salvation just because he or she isn't Catholic.

In the name of Jesus sweet  
love,  
Linda Murray

Dear Campus

School is what YOU yourself make it. Is this not so? People are, what you yourself make them. For those of you who don't like this school, have you ever really thought about why you don't like Fitchburg State College? Is it the school, or is it the people? Why don't you try giving both credit, pay attention to your own lives, not others, and stop all the f----- gossip about others, most of whom you don't even f----- know. I'm sick of everybody talking behind others backs. You have no right, no justification, and most of the time no basis for your judgements, and for those of you who do talk, when your name is brought up you can't

take it, f----- hypocrites. What f----- difference does it make what others do as long as it doesn't involve or effect your own lives? Start thinking about other peoples' feelings, along with your own, put yourself in their place and feel what you would feel if you are treated as such. Think especially of those who are innocent.

Hasn't anyone heard of, or for that matter, have any FRIENDS. Do you all know what "friend" means? Try looking it up. It is not just a physical or sexual attraction. It is mental too, and it should work both ways. People around here get the wrong idea when you try being friendly to them. They think you're after the ass. Not so! Why can't people accept others for their sincerity instead of their body. I don't know about the rest of the female species, but I'm sick of being a sexual object, a body, a pair of legs, etc. I'm willing to accept it to a certain point but you guys have gone way over board. What about my mind? That's a part of my body too.

This school is too goddamn segregated, not just racially either, I mean there are too many cliques, too many perverted and obscene people. Lay off that act, get off our case and try giving a little of your mind and time instead of your bodies and your profane remarks. The one's who talk and create reputations for us are the one's who really have a reputation.

I can honestly say I have nothing really against anyone or anybody, no matter how hurt I've been, and I've never really said anything obscene or bad about anyone in this school; (except for one exception and I still hold nothing against that exception). Just clean up your acts and treat your classmates and campus mates as human and not objects.

Frustrated

Dear Faculty,

I look to you for guidance as I pursue my goals.

Hello, I'm a person and what you love I may not find interesting, as you may not see value in what I love. All the better. We can learn from each other, but please don't stifle me. It's taken me a long time to realize that life is worth living and this is what it's all about.

Deh Cooper

Editor,

Thanksgiving is rapidly approaching and our parents are thinking about a turkey. How many pounds? How many people? How much should I spend? etc...

NOW, turkey is the traditional meal and it can be readily obtained in any supermarket. However so many people overlook the abundant supply of turkey's here at Fitchburg State. There are big turkey's, like those at McKay. (There are also FAT turkey's in High Rise,) and there are also a vast supply of turkey's in the boys dorm. Those teams who forfeit football games are turkey's. Those who played and got crushed, are turkey's. Many of our teachers are turkey's, and many of their students are turkey's. Whoever climbed the boiler room chimney and attached the dummy half-way up is a turkey. (I have a feeling the dummy came down and he stayed up there) so that also makes the turkey a dummy.

If you choose to stay in seven nights a week and there are college party's five of those nights, you are a turkey. However, if you consume enough beers and start being obnoxious at those party's, you

are still a turkey. So I surmise that those who changed or rather modified the name of our gymnasium are turkey's, and those who attempted to alter THAT are turkey's. And D.J.'s a turkey, and Plunkett's a turkey, and Rossoovich is a turkey, (he was an Eagle but he will always be a turkey.)

Whoever sits directly behind KUDA at Weston Auditorium is a turkey, and whoever sits in front of his girlfriend is a turkey. Whoever gives Barney any grief is a turkey, but then, whoever takes any of his grief is a turkey.

So with all this wealth of turkey and with the upcoming holiday, Fitchburg State should indeed climb out of a budget deficiency and utilize its resources.

Michael Donnelly

Dear Ed.-

I was treated to an audience with our supposedly untouchable president this past week, and I believe we are all better off if he stays that way. I don't want to offend anyone with this, it's just that the man, (or maybe the joh) is too far out of touch with this campus to be called anything but a facilitator of some sort. He tried to scare me out of asking any questions, for fear of my bringing any more problems to his attention. This I don't blame him for, he does have his hands full with this budget matter, but when the man is afraid dealing with people face to face, the joh can't be to blame. Maybe the title of President should be completely divorced from the actual administrative ranks, then first year students, such as myself, wouldn't expect to be heard at such a level.

Michael J. Wolley  
a non-resident resident

Dear Ed.

I would like to answer an earlier article which appeared in Rhetoric from a person signed Concerned individual. As I was sitting here thinking what to write I noticed a small hole in my arm from giving blood, all the MOHAWKS gave blood as a club. I was concerned at first because I didn't think they would let me give blood with a hangover which I got from the Tuesday night before at the Puh which the Fenwicks put on. It was a long wait to give blood and I thought of the good parties we had this fall, one sponsored by the MOHAWKS, another by the Philodemics, also of the coming drive the MOHAWKS will have this winter to get toys for the needy children. Well so much for memories, I hope giving blood will not make me too tired to go the the Gov. party Thursday or the happy hour with the Fenwicks on Friday afternoon. Well I think I got my point across to the concerned individuals at this school, the clubs on this campus are the social life and do more good than the people who just sit and complain about others doing nothing.

signed  
A MOHAWK

Dear Editor:

I don't intend to alarm anyone, but what this is called is blackmail. Yes, folks, I'm going to blackmail the college ass I don't have enough greenback to pay for my science lab fee, even when I don't take a science course.

I want \$12.50 or I will disclose the real identity of renata Tampax, The Duke, Johnny Horizon and the good Jerr! Really, I mean business! Thank you.

The Good Jerr.



# Clouds of Bull-poop??

## Getting out of the clouds and back down to earth



I am reluctantly responding to the article entitled 'Clouding the Air With Bullshit' written by P. J. Rudenauer in the last Rhetoric. It was a journalistic feat of epic proportions such that I am at a loss as to where to start. To begin with it was indeed my blunder that I got involved with the trivial issue of whether or not Doug Hebb is a 'Doctor'. The fact is that I never realized that a Ms. Rudenauer so succinctly stated, 'Doctor' is simply a 'title of respect' bestowed at whim upon those we like. If that's what 'doctor' means to you, I'm happy for you.

Ms. Rudenauer, in her latest attempt at a Pulitzer, refers to my article concerning the All College Council as 'squawkings'. I have to admit that her use of metaphor is at least interesting. However, as an objective journalist in search of the truth she should maybe consider vacuum cleaner sales. In all fairness though, Ms. Rudenauer showed us in her latest story that when it comes to 'squawkings' she's an expert.

As I stated in my response to the first Rhetoric article, and as I have maintained consistently in the past, I have two major concerns for the students and for student government. The first is to KNOW and to present the TRUTH, the undeniable facts to the student body I represent. Be it good news or bad, students are a hell of a lot better off if they know what's going on. My second concern is to discourage whenever I can, the formation of an 'Us versus Them' mentality, an attitude which is inevitably destructive and invariably works to students' disadvantage. Evidently on both counts, the Rhetoric holds a divergent attitude.

My principle complaint against Ms. Rudenauer's first article was and still is, that it was WRONG. Journalistically it failed. Despite the fact that the issue it spoke to involved all three segments of the campus community, the authors of the article relied solely on the faculty union president for their information source, without verification---hardly a detached viewpoint. They proceeded to print their story on the FRONT PAGE, announcing it as the TRUTH. They never bothered at any point to investigate further, to speak to the students or administrators or other faculty, who were on the All College Council. The question you

have to ask then is whether or not Rudenauer et al are really interested in stating the truth for their student readers. Maybe they are more interested in saying what they want to say---and the facts be damned! (That, by the way, is called editorializing in some circles and that's all right as long as you don't forget to mention that that's what you're doing.)

At any rate Ms. Rudenauer's reaction in her latest article is at least in part understandable. The truth may or may not have proven embarrassing (it hasn't bothered her up till now though), and my depiction of Mr. Hebb as a man who could never earn his doctorate was admittedly unfair. It's unfortunate though that Ms. Rudenauer felt compelled to resort to obscenity and street-corner jargon to try and make a point she can't possibly make. It's also kind of sad that she chooses to attack me personally rather than confronting the real issue.

To answer her questions, four out of five student representatives were absent at the first meeting of the A.C.C. because it was one of those peculiar Wednesdays with a Monday schedule. The four missing students were in classes and the fifth student would have missed the meeting if an administration representative hadn't come and gotten him!

The technicality I spoke of involved a section of the College-Union contract which stated that the names of all representatives had to be submitted to President Hammond before they could be seated. The students had overlooked this procedure and Hebb wanted to bar us from Council because of it. The Administration with the support of some of the faculty insisted that the meeting just be held up until the students satisfied the contractual mandate. Fortunately for us, that's how it worked out.

Finally, Ms. Rudenauer, I NEVER said that Hebb's protection of union jobs was NOT in our best interests. The fact that I and others in Student Government have worked closely with Hebb on the budget issue indicates our support of him in that regard. What I AM saying is that Hebb has proven to me and other student leaders that his concern for students is minimal. When our goals happen to be identical things are fine, but if our goals are different, don't expect to find Doug Hebb around.

I think that most of the students at Fitchburg State regard it as the responsibility of the Rhetoric staff to find and report the facts. If you guys want to fan the flames with sensationalism---great! But do so based on the facts, not on the words of one very biased individual or the gut reactions of one reporter.

I've answered the questions you've put to me, and I've done so without resorting to childish name calling, and without resorting to accusations of 'clouding the air with bullshit'---or with any other excreta. Now it's time you've answered my charges. Do you honestly feel you've supplied adequate (and accurate) coverage of this vital issue? Have you as of now interviewed Dr. Zottoli, Mrs. Flynn, Scott Turner, Bernie Schultz or any of the other All College Councilors who were there when all this happened? The answer is plainly and obviously---NO! In light of this, I have to ask, who the hell you are to call what I say bullshit?

Walter King

Against my better judgement, I am making a final correspondence to Walter King. Fortunately I was able to read over his latest article before it went to press, thus I was able to write this piece to accompany it.

Apparently there has been a demise in communications somewhere along the line. What began as an attempt to enlighten and hopefully generate interest in our governing bodies has become a quickly forgotten detail amidst a mud-slinging contest.

I feel badly that Mr. King feels he must resort to such eloquent humiliation. My initial reaction to his letter was sharp indignation with a wish (sorry, women) that I were a man so I could punch him out. However, rational thinking quickly subdued these unfitting thoughts as I realized that the pen is indeed mightier than the sword if used correctly. It is so very easy to SAY what's on your mind and make yourself understood. Voices have volume and inflection, attended by facial and body movements.

The written word has nothing but the print and the paper. What goes down in writing has to be in terms that everyone can comprehend. If ANYONE, Mr. King or otherwise, feels he or she could do a superior or even a good job in any capacity on the staff, then I ask, not challenge, you to do so.

In conclusion, I thank Walter King for referring to my works as journalistic feats, but my modesty won't allow me to accept such compliments. Also, I hope he and the rest of the ACC get back together harmoniously and with the fewest of problems.

Finally, if you want to keep at it, Wally, we can arrange a pie-throwing contest in the cafeteria---just name your time.

Sincerely,  
P. J. Rudenauer

## — Apology — 'Cheap Shots' regretted

It has been pointed out that this writer is guilty of a grievous breach of social and professional ethics in having used the FSC Newspaper to air personal animosities under the guise of journalism.

It is not my purpose to prolong a feud here, and I truly regret the embarrassment and inconvenience I may have caused by any possible prejudicial remarks, caustic comments, or biased conclusions I may have made; although I must say I am rather surprised at the extent of the furor seemingly engendered by my innocuous innuendo and misdirected mockery. Obviously, my presentation of the interview with 'K' was NOT OBJECTIVE, and therefore constituted a cheapshot!---The whole situation leaves a bad taste in my all-too-human mouth, and I have personally apologized to the individual in question.

In the last issue of 'The Rhetoric', as a part of an article entitled, 'The Battle Between the Sexes is not Over' I used an interview conducted

with a male subject referred to as 'K' in a rather unorthodox manner. FIRST, it had been previously agreed that the questions directed to 'K' in regard to the women's issue were for reference only, and that the circumstances of the interview itself would not permit me to quote any of his answers. SECOND, the implications made that 'K' was 'sexist' were based solely on the author's opinionated feelings and were in no way substantiated by his answers to my questions during the so-called interview. FINALLY, the end result was a rather lopsided, deliberate attempt at presenting 'K' in an unflattering light, achieved through an out-of-context, incomplete version of his views on the issue in question.

I apologize publicly to 'K' for the pot shots I took at him in my article, and to my readers for subjecting them to such pettiness---and using their school newspaper to do so.

Mary-Ellen Walsh  
News Editor

## A shortage of Rhetoric

How many copies of The Rhetoric did you gobble up? If the answer is more than one, may you be force-fed a fraternity jacket and locked in a desolate room with one of the deans.

Rhetoric only prints 1800 copies and since there are over 3,000 undergraduate students (an estimated two-thirds of which are literate) roaming hither and yon about the campus, issues of this paper are often scarce.

Bundles of Rhetoric are plopped in select spots on Friday mornings of release and within a few hours they have miraculously vanished. It has been divulged that some individuals are grabbing two,

three, and four copies! Why? Good question!

It is rumored that many copies are being scalped at outrageously excessive prices, such as 25 cents or sexual favors.

If this difficulty continues, Rhetoric may be forced to institute radical dispersal policies. You would have to flash your student I.D., recite "Ode to a Grecian Urn" in Pig Latin, and win four out of seven arm wrestling decisions over Mary Ellen Walsh.

So please exercise that infrequent art of moderation and only pocket a single copy of Rhetoric. Unless, of course, you have a parakeet, then it is O.K. to take a bunch.

## Education destroys



Kurt Nikitas

The educational system is one of our most important institutions and one whose primary purpose is to contribute directly to the mobilization of human potential. It is unfortunately making a small contribution toward this end.

Public education, in this democratic society, is a big contradiction. We purport to educate citizens for democracy, but, look at what prevails: teaching is "authority" centered in the vast majority of classrooms, and the lecture still reigns supreme. The overcrowded classrooms, with 30 to 40 students (if not more), is a disgrace in this AFFLUENT society. Besides demoralizing students and impairing their process of learning, it also demoralizes teachers, who know that it prevents them from doing even a minimally adequate job. As a result, teachers feel angry, guilty and helpless. These feelings are conveyed to students, in his seemingly lack of interest in the class and his mad dash for the door when class has officially ended.

This is the present "atmosphere of learning" in our schools.

Basically, our authoritarian centered school system is still committed to the century old philosophy idea of "content learning"; where the teacher presents ALL THE FACTS, and the student is expected to regurgitate them, using the same words the teacher used. If you are good at it, you get

the top grade.

In contrast to this concept, is the newer concept of programmed learning, (that is, learning that has been organized into a set of small discrete steps that are presented to the student in a simpler but definite sequence), in which it is said lies the future of education, has found very little acceptance by our educational leaders.

As creativity researches have found, the creative student is almost totally neglected. A higher value is placed on the capacity to memorize, on lack on initiative and on conformity.

A study by a famous educator, Paul Mort of Columbia U., shows that once an educational idea or concept has been established by research, it takes fifty years for it to be accepted and utilized in schools. That half century lag speaks a lot for my point. Do you think the government and the authority which pays for and runs the schools really cares about how you cope with the learning process, or yourself. No! All they want to do is to produce enough technically trained people to keep them up on top of their competition.

By forcing students into a frantic pursuit of grades, the educational system does it's best to smother original thinking, intellectual curiosity, and creativity. It can be said that by the time a student reaches college, his potentials have been long forgotten. A large percentage of high

school seniors do not go on to college. These are students with good I.Q.'s. They can see the hindrance and are sick of it. And also it is obvious that a large percentage of college students will not receive their degree because they've had to or wanted to drop out. Nowhere in this system of education is the student taught to understand the workings of his mind and body. Much potential is lost or untapped. In the end, finally the student is satisfied, "Thank God, I'm finally out of school." Can you blame him? The boredom of routine courses, the anxiety of exams, the struggle for high grades. This system has neglected your potentials. It has trained out spontaneity (where creativity is first developed). It induces conformity, which, like arthritis, leaves you little room to grow and move. It means that for 12-16 years of your life, you will be or will have been conditioned with authoritarianism. It's another form of brainwashing, but it's voluntary on our part, because it's all we know, so we go along with it.

This not only hampers your education, but produces a deep resentment for authority and builds feelings of anger and hostility that will ALWAYS be with you.

During the last White House Conference on Education (1965), it was pointed out that new ideas in teaching are being utilized in only 15% of our schools. Do you think this educational system has your best interests at heart?



# The Sterling Firefighters

This paper is the result of a journalistic exercise in Dr. Barker's English Composition class. The class studied feature articles in THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY. They were then instructed to use the techniques studied in a report. Dr. Barker promised to arrange publication of the best report in the college newspaper. The prize went to this paper by Patricia D. Johnson on the Volunteer Fire Department of Sterling, Mass.

I have been a resident of the town of Sterling, Massachusetts for six years, after growing up in the city of Worcester, Massachusetts, and it is only recently that I made a discovery concerning my town and other small towns like it. I was on the way to the Post Office when I heard the whistle from the fire station. I continued on my way, not paying any attention, but then came the big shock. Within seconds, men came running from all directions, one from the barber shop, two from the Post Office and then more men began arriving in cars. I was paying attention now and I thought, 'my God it must be a National Disaster and everyone is running for cover'. A few more seconds passed and I snapped very quickly back to reality as the fire trucks emerged from the fire station. I realized then that I had lived in a small town for six years and had completely taken the firefighters for granted. Being raised in a city, I had automatically expected the firefighters to be stationed at the fire department. I had never paid attention to the one important word, VOLUNTEER. I decided then that it was time for me to know more about these men who all came running, the department they have organized, and the extremely important service they provide for the town of Sterling.

Volunteer firefighters have always existed in the United States, but as other cities and towns grow they are able to support paid firefighters, therefore, there are very few completely volunteer departments remaining today. Sterling's Fire Department is actually classified as an 'On-Call Fire Department' because the men of the department receive \$2.50 an hour if they go out to fight a fire. There is a Fire Chief and two deputies appointed by the Selectmen, who receive \$300 a year for their services of operating the fire department. These men then appoint three captains and six lieutenants so that there is a line of command and the department functions quite smoothly.

There is a total of forty-five men in the Firefighters Association and along with their duties of firefighting and maintenance of the fire station, they hold social events and fund raising drives to help carry out their important and fine services for the town of Sterling. The residents of the town are receiving a necessary service for a minimal amount of money.

In gathering my information I spoke with a firefighter, Bob Kneeland. I was again immediately made aware of my ignorance concerning the men who are the firefighters. The first thing I proceeded to do was block his car in the driveway. It seems like a minor point but when you are a firefighter on call, every minute is vital and could mean the difference between life and death in many situations. This is the type of ignorance that prevents people who move from cities to small towns from becoming volunteer firefighters. Most of the men who volunteer for firefighting have been born and raised in small towns. Bob Kneeland, for example is the fourth generation of his family to live in Sterling. Many of the other men had fathers and grandfathers who were firefighters. Having grown up in this small town environment, the need for this service is realized at a very young age, whereas, people coming from cities take the service for granted since they are used to a paid fire department.

The wives of these men are also committed to the department, as they must be very understanding when their husbands leave the house at three o'clock in the morning or just as they are about to sit down to a dinner party with guests. They must be very proud of their husbands and concerned with the welfare of the town's people to put up with such inconveniences. They are also there beside their husbands raising funds to improve the department.

The Sterling Fire Department is one of thirty-three departments in the Northern Worcester County Mutual Aid System which is of crucial importance to a department of this size. A house fire means all equipment responds to the fire leaving the station without trucks or men for a second alarm; but with a mutual aid system, the other towns will provide a back up system while the Sterling Department is at the scene of the fire. This system is also used with the Ambulance Service which I will discuss in more detail later.

I mentioned before that these men are involved in other lifesaving services for the town. One such service is the Sterling Firefighters Ambulance Service, Inc. Until 1956, a hearse from a West Boylston funeral home was used for the transport of patients to hospitals. The firefighters realized the need for an ambulance service and established a private non-profit corporation operated by the firefighters. They began with an eight year old Cadillac ambulance at a cost of \$7,000. They raised the money to pay for the ambulance and the town only provides a stall at the fire station. There is no ambulance charge for a Sterling resident and these firefighters receive no pay for their services. Within a short period of 19 years, these progressive men have made tremendous advances. Their insight and hard work has allowed them to improve their service which consisted of a borrowed hearse for transport to a 1975 Modular-type ambulance that is fully equipped and meets all the State

standards, plus additional self-imposed standards. They are also far ahead of the State standards in the training of the men who ride the ambulance. They are the caliber of men who went ahead with training because they wanted to be able to assist accident victims and cardiac patients in more ways than just transporting. They realized the importance of emergency treatment was vital in some cases in order to save a life. Presently, Sterling has thirty Emergency Medical Technicians who have passed a two hour written and oral national examination. These firefighters have had an 81 hour formal course and spent time in the Emergency Room of a hospital in order to give better care to their patients. They are well trained for emergency care and in many cases this training will enable someone to reach the hospital in time to receive further treatment. They are trained to stop bleeding, to prevent shock, the use of oxygen and also the technique of Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation. These procedures are brought into play, for example, when there is a drowning or a cardiac patient or an automobile accident victim. They are also completely prepared in extrication and loading of patients which is so very important in the case of an accident.

As you can see, I was quite impressed by the firefighters who not only fight fires but also man the ambulance. As a Registered Nurse, I can tell you that these men are well qualified for their jobs. Bob Kneeland introduced me to many new things on the Sterling Ambulance. I work in a hospital situation and I do not have to be concerned with a tool box or a scoop stretcher because when a patient arrives at the hospital, people like Bob Kneeland and the other volunteer firefighters have already cut away a car door or jacked a truck up to extricate a victim of an accident. Their fast and expert handling of a cardiac patient or a convulsing child has allowed them to reach the hospital for further treatment.

I asked Bob Kneeland what rewards he and the other volunteers receive for all the service, time and energy they put into the Firefighters Association. His answer was that last year the department was able to purchase a \$24,000 ambulance with donations made to the Association by the people of the town. This tribute in itself makes him and the other men feel very proud that they, as a group, are providing a service that is needed and appreciated by the people of Sterling.

I have learned a great deal about these fine men and their families who encourage them in their endeavors. They should be very proud of their personal dedication and lifesaving work. I know it was a pleasure for me to meet some of these men, who all came running, and to let them know I appreciate and respect their excellent service.

I feel that my family and all other Sterling residents can sleep well tonight, for we are in good hands.

## The normal school beat (Formerly Fitchburg State College)

NOTE: The following purports to be the author's account of two alleged interviews on campus; the first with a school heating engineer, the second with Dr. Francis X. Guindon, Director of Planning and Development).

One beautiful warm morning in September as I tripped into Miller Hall, no relation to Bob Hall, I was struck by a blast of moist heat. At first I assumed the building to be afire, and almost pulled the alarm. This urge I overcame, and upon investigation discovered the building to be in heat -- er -- being heated.

Beating a hasty retreat, to coin a cliché, I entered our handsome Campus Center, formerly called Student Union. Ah, such sweet coolness! Such lovely breezes! Such legs!

Why, I wondered, should Miller be so hot, and the center so cool?

Aha! My brilliant deductions led me to the Power House, which is easy to find, being a rather sleazy building topped by a huge chimney, usually spouting black smoke and/or particles of soot.

There I found a rather affable gentleman whom I proceeded to interview, seeing that's my bag.

"Pardon me, sir," I began politely. This is a disarming opening; all you neophyte reporters take note. A short haircut also helps.

"Pardon me, sir. Can you tell me why Miller is so hot, and Campus Center, formerly called Student Union, so nice and cool?"

His expression at once became wary, and he asked coldly, "Who are you? One of Hebb's troublemakers?"

I gathered, somehow, that he might be somewhat reluctant to talk to one of THOSE, so I answered proudly, "No, sir. I am an FBI informer."

That was the magic phrase. He smiled. He rubbed his crewcut. He adjusted his narrow tie. The interview was underway.

"Miller is hot because we are sending steam over there to heat it. If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen."

He laughed hugely at this, having attended "GIVE 'EM HELL HARRY" the previous evening.

"The Union is cool because we are sending steam over there to cool the air and then re-heat it," he continued proudly.

"You mean," I queried, "that steam first COOLS the air and then warms it up again?"

"Now you got it, Buster."

"Isn't that rather expensive?" I pressed.

"Bet your ass it is."

With that, he abruptly terminated the interview. It had something to do with the arrival of a short, curly-topped, round-bellied man in a sports coat and sickly tie who intoned angrily, "Is that all the (expletive deleted) work you got to do around this (deleted) place? Talk all the (deleted) time?"

Perhaps, I thought, this would be a good time to interview the Director of Planning, Dr. Guindon, showing that quality of thinking for which I am called "Swiftly."

Dr. Guindon, a dignified man with a lean and hungry look, greeted me coolly.

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"Miller is hot because we have no money...no money to pay a man to walk over there and shut it off. I'll call the Chief Engineer and have him do it. No extra charge." A smile appeared, ever-so-briefly, almost missed, but just spotted before his face resumed its usual Jove-like expression. And he proceeded to do just that.

I perceived this to be an extraordinary cool cat; a man of action, dynamic, bold; a shaker and a mover.

"As for Campus Center, formerly called Student Union, it is cool because we air-condition it," he stated triumphantly.

"Sir, is it true that you first cool it with steam and then re-heat it with more steam?"

He nodded proudly. "Exactly. A revolutionary -- you said FBI? -- an innovative idea, don't you think?"

I nodded appreciatively, and it seemed to encourage him into entering a long explanation about steam working on chemicals to make the incoming air so cold it would be uncomfortable, therefore more steam must be used to heat it up again. Frankly, I was impressed by the man's grasp of scientific data, particularly when he informed me that the only way to bring air into the building (to cool and then re-heat it) was by using huge fans and pumps which use vast amounts of electricity.

"Sir," I inserted diffidently, "doesn't the Governor object to this extra cost of getting air?"

He glanced about quickly, then confided conspiratorially. "The Governor understands neither the art of governing nor logic. However, I am now working on another revolutionary -- ah, FBI? -- brilliant idea which will not only please the Governor, but Gerry Lombard and the taxpayers as well."

He continued rapidly, his eyes gleaming strangely.

"In our next construction, a 40-story kindergarten complex covering four acres of filled-in swamp land, we will completely do away with the need of air-conditioning. This will be accomplished by using a startling new concept called 'natural ventilation.' We simply leave large, rectangular apertures in the outside walls of each room. To prevent the tots from toppling, we place wooden or metal frames in each aperture, and put a transparent pane of glass or plastic in each frame to let in real SUNLIGHT."

He beamed benignly at me. "Dr. Guindon, that's marvelous," I exclaimed quickly, caught up in the rapid rush of rhetoric.

He nodded. "Thank you. Call me Frank."

"But that's only the beginning! These frames will slide up or down in channels at each side, allowing fresh air to circulate freely throughout the building in warm weather, and retaining the heat in winter."

He settled back in his chair, hands clasped behind his patrician head, staring dreamily as he continued.

"What's more, we'll cooperate with President Ford, maybe even get a Federal grant, by adopting this as a 'Whip Inflation Now' program, 'WIN' for short, then add to that 'Dukakis Our Wonder' to get Dukes' money -- ah, approval -- 'DOW' for short. Put the letters together and what to you have?"

"WINDOW," I shouted excitedly.

"Right on!" he screamed shrilly. "We'll call them 'windows!'"

"Truly great thinking, Dr. Guindon," I enthused gushingly.

He shrugged deprecatingly and replied modestly, "Yes, I agree. It's an idea whose time has come. Call me Frank, but just this once."

## Newman News Communal Penance

A Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of Penance will take place at the Newman Center on Thursday, Dec. 4 at 7:00 P.M.

Communal Penance is a service which incorporates scripture readings and community prayer and opportunities for individual confession.

The rite which has become common in the Catholic Church in the last few years tries to emphasize the community dimension of the sacrament of Penance. Participants hear the Word of God and pray for the grace of repentance, for themselves and for each other.

This community setting attempts to recapture a dimension of the sacrament which has been lost or

obscured, the communal or community dimension of sin, and reconciliation.

The Newman Center offers this service to the Fitchburg State College community on Dec. 4 as part of a preparation for Christmas. Fr. Jim Houston will be assisted by area priests.

## Christmas Spirit

If you would like to get into the Christmas spirit, come to the Newman Center on Monday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.. Join with others in decorating the Newman Center. Help others get into the Christmas spirit!





## Dorm Patter

By Debbie Pare

### Interview with a resident assistant

A resident assistant is a person who is much respected; she resides in the girls dormitory and 'handles things'. I was lucky enough to interview Doreen DeSorbo resident assistant in Aubuchon Hall.

My first question was 'What exactly is your job?' she smiled, a warm friendly smile, and said 'my primary concern is the student. I feel that they are the most important thing and I help them thru counseling as well as resource.' Her other duties include managerial and liaison functions - getting the desk workers schedule straightened out, finding out what the girls can and cannot do in the dorm, etc.

'How do you feel about the job?' 'I LOVE PEOPLE,' she said enthusiastically. 'I love the dorm, talking to people whether it be just talking or counseling. I want to leave the dorm, from a student's standpoint, better than I found it.

Here we were interrupted by a phone call and I was able to see her in action. She is willing to help in any way she can and the call was brief. She excused herself for being on the phone and we continued. 'Exactly what has happened with the money situation?' (With the recent budget problem, the resident assistant's salary has been hanging unresolved.) Here she became a little more serious. 'The school is trying to get money for the positions but the Bill (H6660) is holding up the money. We came with no promise of pay and it's sort of a week to week type thing.

'Since you're here, how do you feel about the dorm?' 'It can be a happy-making place' she said sincerely. 'I'm used to low rise dormitories and this is my first time as an R.A. in a high rise, but I'm getting used to it!'

'Here's a toughie!' I stated. 'How do you feel about the girls?' 'I LOVE 'EM!' she exclaimed. 'They are totally interesting and fascinating. If the position doesn't get funded, it was worth it to meet the people in the dorm. After all, the future of our country lies there!'

'Has the Dormitory Council (a group consisting of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Chairwoman and Freshman Rep.) been helpful in setting up dorm policies?' She answered in earnest 'More so than almost any other factor.'

'Only one more question' I promised her, 'What qualifications do you have, schooling or experience?' 'I have a Masters in Student Personnel Services from Glassboro State (Graduate School). My undergraduate schooling was at Upsala where I majored in

Sociology (and was also a resident aid for 2 years). I also have business experience as I was an assistant buyer for Bamburger's (a Macey's chain store). I was also manager of a store.'

Doreen is what is needed on this campus, someone you can talk to freely, someone who cares. She doesn't come on as a superior and so she really isn't treated like one.

just a great person to have around and I, for one, hope she is able to stay!

### Roger F. Holmes award reminder

You are advised that a \$100 reward will be made to some student for a paper in the historiographic mode in 1976. Some of the details are given here; others may be determined by checking with Mr. Hebb of the History Dept.

In 1971 the Dept. of History and Geography, seeking to honor the long services of Prof. Holmes to the department, the college and the general community, assumed responsibility for sponsoring the Roger F. Holmes Award. Contributions to the Fund were made by members of all departments of the college and by the general community. The plan of the Fund is to make an annual award to the student submitting the best paper to the Dept. of History and Geography in the historical style. The contest, by vote of the department is open to all undergraduates, regardless of major. Papers are limited in topics only to the extent that they must relate to the human experience and that they be developed in accordance with the historical method. Papers offered in competition must be presented to the chairman of the Dept. of History and Geography by Sept. 1, 1976.

The papers offered must, in order to receive consideration, represent standards of good composition and term paper style. While students are encouraged to submit papers previously turned in as part of course work, they are advised that only clean copies will be considered. Of course the college rules about plagiarism prevail. It is expected that the normal amount of direction usually provided by a professor to a student in preparing a term paper will obtain. Whatever the area, topic, or subject developed by the paper, the approach must be more than antiquarian; the paper must clearly state a thesis and, within the limitations of an undergraduate paper, prove it.

Interested students are advised to check with Mr. Hebb for details as to the style

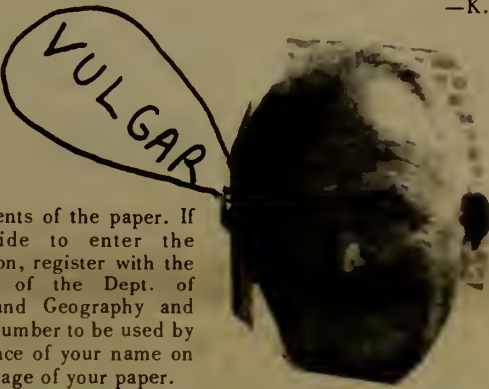
# A Phenomenal Magazine

Scrimshaw is a phenomenal magazine. In the past it had been one man's child. Jack Ready, the father of Scrimshaw, nurtured it through childhood, through adolescence, to young adulthood. Unfortunately, Jack was due to leave town. Fortunately, Scrimshaw was guided through this difficult separation period by two paternal figures. The first, a kind and understanding person, helped further Scrimshaw's ambition to represent, not politically, but artistically the largest group of young intelligents it could reach. The second, shall we call him, step-father was at times rigid and demanding, but Scrimshaw knew its own mind by this time and waded through the misunderstandings that occurred as a result of this relationship.

This year Scrimshaw discovered it had a mother! Along with motherhood comes the understanding of such a creature: she respects Scrimshaw's goals and fantasies; she delights in its friends - those who, out of fondness, contribute to its well-being and persuade it to grow to its full potential as an individual, self-acknowledging entity. Scrimshaw know Mum understands its interest in, and its reaching-out to grasp ideas of how others think. She even understands, My God, that it incorporates many of these ideas in its very concept of itself!

Scrimshaw is particularly intrigued with prose, poetry, and photography. It croons over creativity and the expression of individuality. It is open-minded now in its maturity and intends on "meeting the minds" of those in its environment. Mum beams; she knows that, with a little help from its friends, Scrimshaw will get very high.

Scrimshaw is the art and literary magazine of FSC. We ask - yes, even beg - that you submit your artistic babies before the deadline, December 2. Submit to Box #5619 or the library check-out counter.



—K.T.

requirements of the paper. If you decide to enter the competition, register with the chairman of the Dept. of History and Geography and obtain a number to be used by you in place of your name on the title page of your paper.

## Voluntary Action Center Campus VAC

A conference on Voluntary Action programs was held in Hartford, Connecticut on November 7 and 8. Attending the conference were Mary Lee Anderson, the director of the Voluntary Action Center of the Fitchburg and Leominster United Funds, and Ken Pike and Argerie Tolos, student directors of the Fitchburg State Campus Voluntary Action Center. Ms. Anderson, Mr. Pike, and Miss Tolos attended the conference in efforts to gain knowledge about Voluntary Action programs established on other campuses as well as to share their ideas and information about the Fitchburg State Campus program which has been in existence on campus since the beginning of the fall semester.

Topics of discussion at the conference included (1) recruitment and placement of volunteers (2) evaluation of volunteers and volunteer agencies (3) rewarding volunteers (4) funding of voluntary action programs and (5) faculty administrative support of such programs. The three directors returned from the conference with a variety of new ideas some of which will inevitably benefit Fitchburg State's program which has already placed approximately 250 students with 45 area non-profit organizations.

The Fitchburg State Campus Voluntary Action Center serves all Fitchburg State students who are interested in volunteering for such activities as counseling maladaptive adolescents, programming brain-injured children, taking calls on a crisis hotline, doing

public relations for nonprofit agencies, and a variety of other situations. The majority of the volunteer openings developed by the program consist of a 4-6 hour per week commitment and are set in the local communities. "This," according to Ken Pike, "lessens the hassels of time commitment and transportation which a student might encounter in seeking a volunteer experience." Ken also added that "this increases the opportunity for students to gain good practical experience in their interest area through volunteer jobs."

Anyone interested in volunteering in any type of setting or would like further information about the Voluntary Action Center may contact one of the student directors or representatives at the Center's "storefront" operation in the new Campus Center building. A table is manned on Monday 1:30 to 2:30 and Tuesday through Friday 10 to 1 in the Campus Center on the bookstore level by the main staircase.

For further information:  
Ken Pike  
Student Director  
345-7355



# The Stars

by Nell

ARIES (March 21 — April 19) — Do not attempt to change things today (with the exception of that roguey underwear). Pay attention to small details (start with those pimples on your nose).

TAURUS (April 20 — May 20) — Your best laid plans will go astray today (unless you find him first and spirit him away) and you must re-evaluate your position. (The Karma Sutra is a useful guide).

GEMINI (May 21 — June 20) — Stay home today if at all possible; somewhere out there a 2-ton safe is waiting to fall on your head. Don't answer the phone or the door as the Bill Collector's are busily sniffing you out. (Speaking of sniffing; what's that horrid cologne you're wearing?)

CANCER (June 21 — July 22) — Don't buy ANYTHING today; there's plenty around for free, anyway, so don't worry about that. Try to get your finances straight before the weekend - and if you can't be good - take lessons.

LEO (July 23 — August 22) — Stay away from relatives for the next few days as you will probably disagree - especially if you insist on continuing your romance with Mighty Joe Young. (He's definitely got a hairy chest, and that's fine, but you must face the facts: there are vast differences between you).

VIRGO (August 23 — September 22) — Use your recent experiences to make decisions that are coming up. For instance; if your wife recently ran off with the skinny bearded kid down the block you must decide to either grow a beard, lose weight and wiz her back, or find a new wife. The decision should be easy since she also took your wallet, credit cards, half the furniture and your right contact lense. You'd better go after her, Mac - all she left you was the mortgage.

LIBRA (September 23 — October 22) — Do not allow people close to you to take you for granted. You have allowed too many to take advantage of your good nature. Start today to change all that; tell Jim and Sal "NO" for once, and if you must say "YES" to Joe, at least get him to say "Thank-you" and perhaps "please."

SCORPIO (October 23 — November 21) — It's a trial-and-error period for you lately; you've set the record for errors, and you'll need lots of luck to come out of your trial next week. But don't despair - not yet. Next month is set aside for despair, so hang on until then!

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 — December 21) — Today will be quiet and uneventful - enjoy the peace in solitude. Tomorrow there will be time to share that piece with someone else, and immediately thereafter the sky will fall - on you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 — January 19) — Try not to be upset by little things - sure, she's cute, but she's definitely jail bait! As for the red hair - go find any rooster, for crying out loud!

AQUARIUS (January 20 — February 18) — Participate in community customs (fertility rites, black mass, pagan worship, human sacrifice...). The possibilities are endless. Save for leisure and relaxation with that certain someone (look so blank, chum, he told me all about it) and don't interfere with love, even if the gossip IS his wife!

PISCES (February 19 — March 20) — Relationships at these days - very TOUCHY. Touch back - it enhances relationship. Others may seem impersonal, but really - it's breath. Gargle up and get out there, Mac, time's a-wastin'. Changing a couple of your daily habits - especially bad ones (bed wetting, and work on improving your image. (In short; stop your act, Buddy!)).



### SURVEY OF SEXUAL ATTITUDES ON CAMPUS

We would like to do a feature article on the sexual attitudes on this campus. To make this possible, we need your cooperation. Please reply sincerely and mail the completed questionnaire to Box 5239 or Box 5781 or drop it off in the Rhetoric office. The results will be published in a later issue.

1. Sex: M F (circle one)
2. Age
3. Marital Status Single Married Divorced (circle one)
4. Have you ever been involved in premarital sex? Y N
5. With how many people (not necessarily at one time)
6. Do you consider yourself a 1)Heterosexual 2)Homosexual 3)Bisexual
7. Have you ever engaged in oral sex? Y N
8. Does the idea bother you? Y N Impartial (circle one)
9. How many positions do you (have you) use(d)?
10. Do you prefer a specific time of day, and if so, please specify (morning, afternoon, evening, night, no preference)
11. If you have not ever had intimate relations, why not?
12. Also, if not, do you feel pressured?
13. Any additional comments (use additional page if necessary)



# SPORTS

## Odessey pulls biggest prank.... The journey is over

### Sudden death

Odessey appears to have pulled the biggest upset of the season as they squeaked by reigning champion Pranksters in a come from behind win by a score of 12-6. In a conclusion to the sudden-death overtime played at the F.S.C. soccer field Tuesday afternoon, Odessey came out on top with some fine individual performances.

The lone scoring play of the sudden death period came on a quick toss from quarterback Steve "Wacker" Walkowicz to fleet-footed receiver Chris "White-shoes" Murphy. The score capped a drive set up at midfield by the classy and timely interception of Johnny "The Jet" Montesion off of Prankster Q.B. John "Too

Tall" McGuinness. Two timely penalties (unsportsmanlike conduct and pass interference) kept the ball alive for Odessey as they were "knockin' on the door" of the P'ster goal line.

With a first down and goal to go from the one, Walkowicz took over and, sprinting out left, with some fine lead blocking by Andy Caouette and Gentle Ben Kozic, tossed to White Shoes Murphy who was unattended in the end zone.

His classic dance followed the T.D. reception and there was pandemonium on the field.

There were a few key considerations when sizing up the victory.

Prankster linebacker Paul Hallion was severely hampered by a nagging knee injury sustained earlier.

The Pranksters were also without the services of Geno Colangelli, whose season misconduct and ultimate suspension are being appealed at the

moment, and ace aerial man Mike Pelland, presently undergoing surgery for an injury received during the regulation time of the playoff game.

Odessey was also without the services of Steve "Wingo" Cioffi, who is recuperating from ligament damage received during a tight-checking Donnelly Brothers hockey game.

Perhaps the most significant factor in Tuesday's ball game would be the switch of Mark Sasseville from Q.B. to tight end to both offensive and defensive tackle, where his aggressive blocking and extreme pressure proved potent. I'm sure next year the Pranksters will be back trying to avenge the loss, but everyone should be reminded that it was at their hands that Odessey lost last year. Let's look forward to next year's "rubber match".

The winner being the biggest rubber.

Mike D.

half-back Jerry Welch who rolled out right, sucking in the Odessian defenders and fired a neat pass back across the grain to end Richie Abbot as defensive safety Tim Tierney lost his footing in the muddy turf. However Tim knew all the time that the P'sters were offside and he was just pokin' fun when he let them score.

The play was called back, the ball was eventually turned over, and the score had passed.

At the conclusion of the second half, with the score tied at 6-all, a sudden death overtime failed to result in a winner as the darkness and rain halted play.

A conclusion to the sudden death overtime is being scheduled and will be resumed early in the week of 11-17-75.

Good luck Odessey and Pranksters.

CONGRATULATIONS.....

At this point Odessey took control, put their machine in gear and marched to the Prankster goal line, scoring on a fourth down and goal on a pass from Slingin' Steve Walkowicz to Johnny "the JET" Montesion, who bulled his way in from the one yard line.

A foolish and costly mistake then followed as Odessey attempted to up the score 8 to 6. Center Mike Donnelly (fictitious name) got the adrenalin moving and spiraled the ball back through his legs. Quarterback Walkowicz neglected to bring his butterfly net (unknown to center Mike Donnelly (fictitious name)) and the ball sailed high over his head. Apologies were in order however words would not penetrate the egg on Donnelly's face.

The game was far from over now as the Prankster's put a scare into the Odessey boosters.

Mike Pelland handed off to

### They kicked the soccer ball

by Atta-Boy Al Powers



The season of soccer, that beautiful sport of legs and head, is over now and the boys of autumn, our Fitchburg Falcons, rest with a 5-6 record.

The Flying Falcons fought hard nearly all the time, even off the field, and they lost some awfully close games and one or two close to awful ones.

I see the season optimistically as is my nature. It was a success. Our lads are a young troop. Many of them don't yet shave and one is not yet toilet trained. They will age and grow in the bosom of experience and savvy. They will come back and rear their angry heads. Winning seasons do await. Towards the end of this past chapter they began to jell and come next year they just may take the whole damn thing.

Everyone is back next season with the exception of fiery Harry Logan, one of the captains. This year, he said, was the best since he's been here and old' Harry expressed a wish to be able to play another year or two. Unfortunately for his pals and teammates he will hang up his football shoes. Oops, not quite, Harry will be there at the alumni games.

My last words on the past are these. I would like to thank the fans who helped root and cheer, boo and jeer. I would like to thank those who aided the team and I would like to thank those people who allowed me to be a part of a wonderful season.



### The ultimate opponent

Sometimes the hardest part of life is accepting the way you change. No one likes change especially a change that is forced about by uncontrollable circumstances.

Many boys are brought up living sports. In Boston, my home, a boy either hung on the corner and smoked cigarettes, or played sports. In high school there is the motive of being an 'athlete' to impress girls, relatives and friends that may keep a boy's interest in playing sports. In college many of the motives dissipate. By this time, girls are young women and see that there is a lot more in men than athletic ability. Oh, some guys at this stage still talk up a mean game, but usually the people impressed, aren't worth impressing.

Most of these die-hard athletes aren't even on the college teams, so what keeps them going? A psychiatrist would have a field day with some of them. Reasons could range from an outlet of frustration, to an inner desire to prove superiority over others. I am sure that these

unconscious desires exist, but I don't believe they hold true for the majority. Old habits die hard, which is also true of fond memories. These are memories of younger days that have become so sweet, a love develops for playing games. After so many years the urge to play can exceed the urge to win!

So what is the ultimate opponent? What defeats this seemingly undefeatable spirit? There is plenty of kindling to feed the mental desire. It is the physical ability that deteriorates. The ankle that never completely recovers, the elbow that always swells or an unforeseen accident all of which rob a body of athletic ability. It is hard to accept the reality that your body can no longer do what it once could, that it cannot withstand the pressures your talents place upon it. You live in a world of 'if only', you slowly accept, the spirit is broken.

P. Hallion

(Ed. note: Paul Hallion recently injured his knee.)

### Crusader of the Week



Dennis Darcey currently leads the New England Soccer League in scoring with nine goals in five games. Last week Darcey tallied once against Nichols, twice vs. M.I.T., and had an astonishing four goals in the Crusaders 6-4 loss to Bentley. The senior wing is a co-captain of the Purple booters.

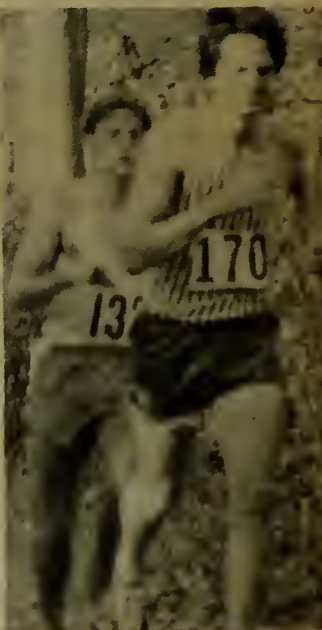
### Harriers in the Nationals

By Chief

Old Franklin Park in Boston was the scene of the National Division III Cross Country Championship held November 15th. Over 70 teams from all over the country came to compete which included 350 athletes. Perhaps New England was too graceful to the visitors as the day was but a seasonable fall day. This threw off the days strategy of Captain Brian McGee. Brian had predicted a blizzard for the event and expected to see his competition crying and cursing at the undependable New England weather. The Falcons felt that unfavorable weather conditions would have been in their advantage. At least they know now not to depend on the undependable New England weather.

The team managed to get psyched, good weather and all, and finished a respectable 38th. That's 38 out of the 70 teams that qualified to compete there and all the rest of the Division III teams in the country.

Rich McDonald, staying true to form, was the first Falcon to cross the finish line. He proved himself to be one of the top Division III runners in the country. Frosh-Al Bennett and sophomore Bob Dennis completing their first college cross country season, were close behind Rick. Al and Bob were perhaps the most consistent runners on the team all year and are certainly the teams hope of the future. Captain Brian McGee just getting into his great form was fourth for the Falcons. Brian has improved steadily all season and



is now ready for his indoor specialties of the 1000 and 880 yard runs. Mark Gatti, who has had the task of preparing for basketball and staying in top running shape, finished fifth for the team. Mark, considered the Bull of the team, is a guts runner as he always gives 180 percent. Bill Andrews finishing an injury riddled season was sixth for the Falcons. Despite it being a disappointing season for Bill he helped the team tremendously.

Congratulations to coach Sheehan and his undefeated cross country team. Mr. Sheehan has taken track at FSC from the dark ages and has made it the schools premier sport.





# SCHEDULES

## Swimming

Coach: Lou Lorenzen

- 27 Oct. Mt. Holyoke and Skidmore 7:00 P.M.  
4 Nov. Wellesley College 6:00 P.M.  
13 Nov. Boston College 6:30 P.M.  
20 Nov. S.E. Mass. Univ. 7:00 P.M.  
5 Feb. Keene State and U.N.H. 6:00 P.M.  
11 Feb. Worcester State  
12 Feb. Mass. Inst. Tech. 6:00 P.M.  
18 Feb. Northeastern Univ. 6:00 P.M.  
28 Feb. Small College Championships  
TBA U.R.I., Brandeis, Brown

## Indoor Track

Coach: Jim Sheehan

- Dec. 19, 20 Univ. Vermont  
Jan 10 Amherst, Worcester  
17 Jan. Dartmouth 1:00 P.M.  
7 Feb. Maine Maritime SMVTI  
14 Feb. Williams - RPI - Worcester  
21 Feb. Amherst Relays

## Pass the word

### Women's Basketball

Coach: Barbara Nole

- 22 Jan. Clark Univ. A 6:30 P.M.  
27 Jan. Gordon College H 7:00 P.M.  
29 Jan. E. Nazarene College A 6:00 P.M.  
31 Jan. Keene State A 1:00 P.M.  
3 Feb. Boston College A 7:00 P.M.  
4 Feb. North Adams State H 7:00 P.M.  
10 Feb. Worcester State H 7:00 P.M.  
12 Feb. Westfield State A 6:30 P.M.  
16 Feb. Assumption College H 6:30 P.M.  
19 Feb. Boston State A 7:00 P.M.  
23 Feb. Salem State A 7:30 P.M.  
24 Feb. Emmanuel College H 7:00 P.M.  
26 Feb. Univ. Mass. A 6:15 P.M.  
1 Mar. Framingham State A 7:00 P.M.  
2 Mar. Wor. Poly Tech. H 7:00 P.M.  
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### Men's Basketball

Coach: Bob Mellilo

- 29 Nov. Mass. Maritime H 8:00 P.M.  
2 Dec. Westfield State A 8:00 P.M.  
5 Dec. Suffolk Univ. H 8:00 P.M.  
9 Dec. Bridgewater State H 8:00 P.M.  
11 Dec. Lowell Univ. A 8:00 P.M.  
12 Dec. North Adams H 8:00 P.M.  
1 Jan. Worcester State H 2:00 P.M.  
10 Jan. Framingham State H 8:00 P.M.  
13 Jan. Suffolk Univ. A 3:00 P.M.  
24 Jan. Worcester State A 8:00 P.M.  
27 Jan. Bridgewater State A 8:00 P.M.  
31 Jan. Framingham State A 8:00 P.M.  
3 Feb. E.C.S.C. H 8:00 P.M.  
5 Feb. Salem State H 8:00 P.M.  
7 Feb. North Adams A 2:00 P.M.  
17 Feb. Boston State H 7:30 P.M.  
21 Feb. Westfield State H 8:00 P.M.  
23 Feb. Boston State H 8:00 P.M.  
25 Feb. Mass. Maritime A 7:30 P.M.  
28 Feb. Salem State A 8:00 P.M.

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## Winter Sports Schedule



Athletic Director  
Thomas Battinelli

## BACK!

### Ice Hockey

Coach: Tom Christopher

- 22 Nov. Framingham State A 2:00 P.M.  
4 Dec. Bridgewater State H 7:15 P.M.  
11 Dec. Westfield State H 7:15 P.M.  
18 Dec. Roger Williams H 7:15 P.M.  
13 Jan. Roger Williams A 8:00 P.M.  
15 Jan. Worcester State H 7:30 P.M.  
22 Jan. North Adams H 7:15 P.M.  
26 Jan. Mass. Inst. Tech. A 7:00 P.M.  
29 Jan. Nichols College H 7:15 P.M.  
2 Feb. Westfield State A  
5 Feb. Framingham State H 7:15 P.M.  
9 Feb. Worcester State A 8:45 P.M.  
12 Feb. Mass Maritime H 7:15 P.M.  
14 Feb. Salem State A 7:30 P.M.  
19 Feb. Boston State H 7:15 P.M.  
21 Feb. Bridgewater State A 8:30 P.M.  
24 Feb. Mass. Inst. Tech. A 7:00 P.M.  
26 Feb. Plymouth State H 7:15 P.M.  
28 Feb. North Adams A  
3 Mar. Mass. Maritime A 8:00 P.M.

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# Fitchburg hosts Brazilian educators



[l. to r.] Father Egidio Francisco Schmitz, Sra. Arete Saldanha Vargas, and Jose Gomes de Campos.

A group of Brazilian educators visiting Massachusetts this summer found the state's educational institutions a goldmine of inspiration and ideas which they hope to adapt to their schools at home.

Basically, according to Fr. Egidio Schmitz S.J., spokesman for the 24 visitors from Brazil's state of Rio Grande do Sol, they have learned that their teachers, who are trained mostly to teach students in vocational and industrial skills, need "to get a broader view of education."

"We want the teachers to look beyond the skill they teach," Fr. Schmitz said, "so that their students can go on to college if they want to."

The Brazilians' visit was a sort of exchange arranged by the Massachusetts State College Systems Center for International Education, headed by Dr. Leonard J. Savignano at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy at Buzzards Bay.

In January, Dr. Savignano, Dr. James Hammond, president of Fitchburg State, and Dr. Walter Adamson of Bridgewater State went to Rio Grande do Sol at the invitation of the state's secretary for education, Col. Mauro Rodrigues. In 15 days the three visited more than a dozen of the state's nine universities and 52 colleges.

During their six-week stay in the Bay State, the 24 Brazilians, headed by Dr. Jose Campos, director of the Foundations for the Univer-

sities of Rio Grande do Sol, made trips from their Fitchburg headquarters to most of the state colleges as well as to Harvard, Boston College, Boston University and to the regional vocational high schools.

Fr. Schmitz explained that Rio Grande do Sol has a population of 8 million and is largely agricultural, exporting vast quantities of soy beans, rice, corn, potatoes, fruits (especially peaches), beef and hides.

Present vocational training, he noted, is concentrated in these areas of agriculture, with course also in the trades, business, industrial arts and home economics.

Fr. Schmitz said there is a need in his state to broaden each student's education so that each can go on to college and into the professions if so desired. In Rio Grande do Sol, he noted, students in vocational and industrial areas, for which there are 145 career designations, go through about 14 years of training from first grade through two years of vocational training at college level.

Fr. Schmitz said the group will be rewriting the curriculum for his state's educational system, not only to increase emphasis upon academic and cultural subjects for all students, but also to add courses to train secretaries, accountants, nurses aides, and laboratory, chemical and electronic technicians.

"We do not want to train

tradesmen only," said Fr. Schmitz, who holds half a dozen positions as professor, coordinator and administrator. In Rio Grande do Sol, he said, there is close cooperation between private, public, parochial and federal schools.

"In Brazil, they like Americans," Dr. Savignano said of his January visit. However, Fr. Schmitz added: "But the communist blocs are competing strongly."

One of the Brazilian visitors, Beatriz Marques Silva, a school of fine arts dean, said: "Brazilians get a very wrong idea of what America is like, what Americans are like, from television, movies and radio.

"Americans are marvelous, friendly people," she said. "We have not seen any crime or strife."

"We need more educational, cultural exchange," said Fr. Schmitz. "We can do something for you...and you for us...differences don't matter."

"We want to be knowing your people...whom you don't know, you don't like," he added.

Fr. Schmitz said his delegation is "grateful for the experience of visiting your schools" and observed that the educational systems in Massachusetts are similar to - though more comprehensive than - those in his home state.

## League of women voters

The Leominster League of Women Voters presented a program on energy conservation and energy alternatives on Tuesday, November 18 at 9:15 a.m. at the Leominster Library, 30 West Street, and on Wednesday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Leominster United Methodist Church, 77 Hall Street.

All Montachusett area residents were welcomed to come see the new film, "When the Circuit Breaks" in sound and color. This Federal Energy Administration (FEA) film discussed the national energy problem, the need for domestic energy source development and alternative energy sources. At the Tuesday program, Mr. Robert Ruttenberg, Chief of Public and Governmental Affairs at the FEA Region I Office in Boston, spoke on solar energy, nuclear energy, the fuel supply for this winter, and energy conservation. At the Wednesday program, Dr.

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# Tuition rises \$200 in January

A tuition increase beginning in January 1976 was voted by the Mass. State College System of Trustees at its August 19 meeting.

Tuition will rise from \$150 to \$250 per semester next January and remain at that level thereafter. The annual rate will become \$500 a year, compared to the current \$300 per year.

At the same time, tuition costs for out-of-state students will increase from the present \$600 a year to a \$1200 annual rate.

Mrs. Sylvia K. Burack of Brookline, chairperson of the trustees, expressed regret that the board had to approve the increase, but asserted that the board would take all steps possible to ensure that no

student dropped out or was discouraged from applying.

"We realize we may cause some hardships on some students, but because of the exceedingly exacerbating situation of the state's finances, we had no choice," she said after the vote.

The increase will place the state colleges close to the national average of \$575 for tuition and fees at four-year public institutions for the academic year 1975-76. The national rate has been rising at about \$40 a year.

The Board of Trustees also adopted a policy that no student can apply for any state scholarship or grant aid unless he or she has first applied for a Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG) from the

Federal Government.

This step was taken to make maximum use of the U.S. funds.

They have also filed in the legislature a bill amending the \$10.5 million state scholarship program so that up to 50 percent of these monies --rather than the current 25 percent --will be available to public higher education students.

In addition, Acting Provost Janet G. Murphy established a Task Force on Student Financial Aid to explore all the possibilities of assistance to undergraduates, including any which are not now being completely exercised.

## Marijuana not narcotic

by Dr. Norman Zinberg  
From The Globe

For many years marijuana (or to use its generic name, cannabis) has been misclassified by the United States government as a narcotic. Sometimes called hemp, it is a unique drug, neither a hallucinogen nor a narcotic.

Before its misclassification, cannabis preparations were sold in this country for a variety of therapeutic purposes: to tranquilize; to induce sleep; to help stop nausea and vomiting; and to aid in the treatment of various stomach and bowel disorders.

However, after a long and vigorous campaign led by Harry B. Anslinger, then director of the now defunct Federal Bureau of Narcotics, and punctuated by his apparently endless tales of the so-called horrors caused by this "scourge of mankind," marijuana was declared illegal in 1937. It was incorrectly classified then as a narcotic, a pharmacological term which actually applies to drugs of the opiate family such as morphine and heroin.

At that time most countries in the world had no ban on cannabis. Smugglers were able to buy the drug legally abroad and quite easily arrange its transport into the United States. But such strong feelings had been stirred up in America in support of the dangers of marijuana that United States representatives at the League of Nations turned their attention to trying to influence the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) to follow our lead in

declaring marijuana illegal. The board's chief function was to regulate the production, manufacture, and distribution of narcotic drugs for medicinal purposes throughout the world. And thus began our first attempt to politicize the cannabis question. But it was stopped short.

World War II broke out and many more important questions than the illegality/legality of cannabis were prominent among world concerns. After the war, when the United Nations began to function, the Cold War, the spread of nuclear weapons, potential explosions in Africa and the Middle East had priority over how cannabis should be dealt with.

By the 1950's, however, the world has settled down a bit, and once again, Harry B. Anslinger picked up the cudgel in his fight against marijuana use when he was appointed our representative to the United Nations Division of Narcotic Drugs (the former INCB). As a whole our position in the United Nations was strong enough then that we led a successful effort to include a cannabis ban in every international treaty dealing with the production, manufacture, and distribution of narcotic drugs. We were able to support for important posts within the United Nations people who were totally committed to severe penalties and hard-nosed law enforcement as ways of dealing with drug use. We proved again and again how little we had learned

from our own unsuccessful experiment with Prohibition.

Now the time has come when several states have decriminalized marijuana use and more are debating taking this action. Before a similar Federal law can be passed it is evident that the United States must renegotiate its international treaty position through the United Nations. The best known of the international drug treaties is the Single Convention which binds approving nations to abide by all of its provisions. Thus, although a country can pull out of the treaty by simply declaring its desire to do so, it must rescind the entire treaty, not just one provision, for example, the cannabis prohibition.

The United States is now in a position to do this since we have not as yet ratified the most recently proposed United Nations agreement. We are in the embarrassing position, however, of having to initiate scrapping a treaty for which we are largely responsible because of our deliberate misclassification of cannabis many years ago. It is unfortunate that his country was so insistent upon claiming marijuana to be a narcotic not as the result of clear medical evidence and experimentation, but as the result of mass hysteria.

This object lesson is an important one because we are now confronted with the misclassification of coca, cocaine, and psychedelics as narcotic drugs, which they are not.

## Sniffle

William Gray spoke about the solar home he is designing to meet the needs of our Mass. winters.

Free literature was provided to all.

Members of the Energy Action Committee presenting these programs included Joseph Hitov, Melissa Ferolito, and Marilyn Clark, Energy Chairwoman. New members are needed. For further information on how Montachusett area residents can join us and on possible plans for energy action contact Marilyn Clark, 7 Gordon Street, Leominster at 534-3372.

## To the Chief

The F.S.C. police force is now sufficiently numbered and very capable of controlling any problem that might arise on campus. Like a platoon of combat ready marines our police force stands waiting to pounce on any sign of campus unrest. Unfortunately the unrest is not obliging. The officers sit in the little house on the hill, frustrated, with their hats on their laps.

An arrest was made when a young man was caught 'hanging a moon' in front of the girl's dorm. This paper is not now or ever will attempt to commend an exposition of this

type. On the other hand because of fraternity pledging or just general boredom, mooning has always been a part of this and many other campuses. It certainly does not merit arrest.

Chief McGirk, do you want the students to fear conviction for their every action? The job of the Campus Police is a delicate and difficult one that cannot afford alienation of the students. I believe that an attempt to cease all college pranks will only lead to resentment and a loss of respect.

P. Hallion



# POET'S CORNER

## LOVE

Love cannot be defined  
It is found in heart, not in mind.  
Times change and drums beat  
According to sounds of marching feet.

Love is here,  
Love will peer  
Through all the anguish and the pain  
To live again.

I know I am no poet  
But you can plainly see  
That love is felt, even by the low  
And that, that includes me.

Debbie Pare

## MONDAY - 1:05 A.M.

Now is the time  
when all are in bed  
To settle my thoughts  
and clear out my head.  
To do the work  
that needs to be done  
To get down to business  
and dispense with the fun.  
To work out my problems  
and speak to myself  
To find out "who am I"  
and be proud of myself.  
To settle the disheartening  
effects of the day,  
And wait til' tomorrow  
to start a new day.  
Now is the time  
when all are in bed  
To settle my thoughts  
and clear out my head.

Debbie Pare

## I'M HAVIN' YOUR BABY...

I'm havin' your baby  
What a hideous way  
to prove your contempt  
for me

I'm havin' your baby  
What a lonely trip  
to show how little you care  
about me

The seed within me, babe  
I can feel it growin'  
and every nauseous morning  
I can't help knowing'  
that I'm havin' your baby

Didn't have to keep it  
but you put me thru it  
Could have regained my life  
but I didn't do it  
Could have swept it from my room  
but you quickly hid the broom  
and now I'm havin' your baby  
and I wish we both  
were dead.

Nell

## ALONE

A velvet room invites me  
Silence  
Wraps my body like a shroud  
Silence  
Warm and soft and all around  
I inhale the absent sound  
The deep, dense  
Silence

Patricia Andres

## BIRTHDAY

An infant enters the world  
Screams as if knowing her fate  
A girl child is born  
Fodder, not for cannon,  
But for a greedy analyst  
In Boston

Patricia Andres

## IS THAT ALL THERE IS....

I've been running so long,  
baby, I wanted to rest with you.  
So many leering faces loom  
behind the ice-filled glasses;  
empty smiles and grasping arms  
overload my crippled senses.

I've been so many places  
that you can only guess at;  
from a walk up cold water  
in the seedy part of New York  
where a broken old man in underwear  
made grey with sin and shame  
had the DT's on the other side  
of a roachy paper-thin wall.  
To a plush place in a ghost town  
wrapped in another someone, suffocating  
smiling serenely in Bobbie Brooks  
and three cocktails at dinnertime.

Behind this facade I wear  
head held high, strutting  
a small girl is crying  
three years of striving  
for love and approval  
that never came and never will

I've known the loneliness  
of sex without touching,  
and learned the value now  
of touching without sex;  
I've seen and felt the treachery  
of people concerned with nothing  
but the immediate scratching  
of their own insatiable itch;  
And I've seen the inner ugliness  
of things with beautiful shells  
giving off a cloying, dying scent  
as they slowly rot within

Baby, you kept me warm  
and close and falsely safe  
then you turned a cold look  
on one who was looking up  
into your liquid lying eyes  
seeking only an oasis

I've been a lover and a wife  
I've been a scrapper all my life  
I've faced the phoniness head-on  
been lost within it - passed it on  
and listened to a thousand cries  
for help beneath uncaring eyes  
I've reached out and held a few  
and that is what I'd hoped from you  
I was thirsty, baby, needing drink  
you threw me in and watched me sink  
But just one question before I die  
Baby, please just tell me why

F. Morningstar

## MY FINAL LOVER

I used to fear you so  
running from your shadow  
hiding in quiet from your voice  
and forgetting the fear in the morning

The long nights harbored secrets  
whispered thru dark hours  
haunted, forgotten, mouldy secrets  
always dispelled with the dawn

When I saw your face reflected  
in my looking-glass self  
I would turn and move outside  
where your spectre would vanish

But with the passing of time  
the tilt, turmoil of the days  
the humbling agony of the nites  
I began searching my soul for you

The hurting hands all around  
that pound and pummel me sore  
With harbored hate and repulsion  
are replaced by your beckoning arms

And I seek you daily now  
falling deep away to join you  
I shall welcome you with relief,  
sweet death, my final lover

Mary Ellen Walsh

## AND NOW...

And when I was 8 my favorite was blue  
because that's the color I felt inside.  
And when I was 15 my favorite was orange  
because that was me.  
And when I was 18 my favorite was yellow  
because, like the sun, I smiled.  
And now, tho I often feel weathered  
and grey,  
my favorite is green because I'm alive.

DJ





# STRICTLY PERSONAL

I am very proud to be an honorary FUBAR.

Sincerely,  
Leo Lynch

To the Editor,

I must demand the same photographic coverage as Cannibas.

Heather

To Mary and Donna,

Do you know what kind of meat a man eats on Friday? Nun.

Crab and Lown

You fill up my senses...

Stu,

Stu's goood, Stu's goood!

The Fubars Soc.

Pres. Hammond on the Fubars recent soccer victories — "You're shittin' me!"

Dear F.S.C.,

Renata Tampax lives, and she can be found in the women's room on the wall for 10 cents.

The Good Jerr.

Hugenot,

You'd better remember what's gonna happen in 3 or 4 years...quit being bored.

The Manager

My Friends in Blue or How to Pass a Pace Car by Oh My, Here Comes My Exit

101 Things to do with a Pretzel by Grog

Congratulations, Patti G., on making the team!

Love,  
The Demons (Southeast)

Koala,

Did anyone tell you the Series is over?

Congratulations to the winners of the M.I.B. Football Playoffs from the sidelines. Even the losers are winners.

Art,

Can I go home now?

Warren "Corvette" Augie, Esq.

Eva,

Do I really have to go back for my I.D.?

The Munchkins

Nina,

We're taking orders for chicken soup and crackers.

Campbell's Kids

TAS,

I also remember you when...but you know what I say to that, or anything else. You're the bestest friend, even though you have an accent!

Love,  
HMW

P.S. Wanna look out the window? (Big Eye)

Narco is alive and partying in the Burg.

Marie,

I'm not sure, but I think I love you.

Gary

Herlihy Hall No. 139,

You weird shits you.

Elizabeth,

May I write Fanards on my Fanarases?

P.J.

Call this number for a real good time: (301) 972-1284.

Happy Birthday to a former Waylandite from another.

Hope you're feeling better, Cindy!

To Warren,

Why did you steal my flowers? I'll get you!!!

Joe Corpse

To Art and Aug,

The next knee-knocking contest will be...at Squirt Gun Alley?

The 4 Drips

Steve,

Happy Anniversary Husband!

Your 'loving' wife

Frank,

Do you really love me 5.8 miles?

Griff

To Mike or Frank,

Who's knee will be next???

The Wall

Mike,

Did they move ALL the I.A. shops to the Student Union Lounge?

Clarence

Steve,

When will you wheel us to the morgue?

Us Four

To the brothers,

Thank God it's Friday!!!

Dear L.B., P.M., J.P., and H.S.,

#10 looks good from #5. What do ya say, why don't we get together? Drop by #5 and let us know when. By the way, we love the color of your Fiat.

love,  
The Blue Wagon

Dear Mom,

I think they put EX-LAX in the food here!

Sonny Runs

Dear Mom,

Don't worry about me, all the girls out here are just that.

Sonny Snake

Mike,

Kiss me you fool!!

Christina,

Seasons change, time flies. Your season soon will blossom and your time will be.

Alexsandra

Steve,

How long does it take a chicken to thaw?

Signed,  
20 Shrimp

Pudge,

Half of what I say doesn't make any sense I only say it to reach you.

Love,  
S.T.S.

For Space Cadets,

May all your wishes be zeroes!

Number One

p.j.

Glad your back to your usual demented self. For awhile we thought you were a gonner!

S.S.

Mrs. McNally,

How many guests can we sign in on the weekend?

Steve, Frank, Art, Mike, Warren, ...

Chuck,

Can I use your sleeping bag?

S.S.

Arthur

Have a Happy Turkey Day.

The Campus Center Staff

Didi,

When do I get my York steak dinner?

Hungry

Rueben,

Every dog has his day -- But the nights are for US pussy cats!

TAR

To "Ivan" Laflem,

Putsky says pierogies make you strong.

Peter Polock

Cindy,

Hope you get better! We all really miss ya. Come back soon.

Love,  
Penthouse Demons

To All I.A. Majors,

"Intro. to Mailbox Opening" begins next week. Bring your own dynamite!

Daily Mail

Buffie,

Sorry no picture, but at least you got this. Really miss ya! Come home soon.

Love,  
TAR

To the 'boys' of CM,

Just remember WE LOVE YOU.

The 'girls'

Rick Furcoco,

Happy Birthday, kid! Told ya I wouldn't forget!

Love,  
P.R. (F.M.S.)

Frank,

How did you lose your wallet under the bed?

Signed,  
"Where are my glasses?"

P.S. If I don't see you in the spring, I'll see you in the mattress.


To Mike, George, and Frank,

Is .5 really passing?

Registrar


Red,

I'm still free on January 1, 1989. Can "Killer" come too?




Can you believe that  
STRICTLY PERSONAL

is  
Shit ??




Why?"



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CELEBRATION OF

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7:00 P.M.

## HOLY DAY MASSES

### FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Sunday, December 7 7:00 P.M.  
Monday, December 8 12:10 p.m.  
4:10 p.m.

### TEMPLETON CHRISTMAS DANCE

Tuesday, December 2 - Buses leave Hi-Rise at 6:30 p.m.

## Lost & Found

The following items have been left at the lost and found at the Information Desk of the Campus Center:

1 microphone  
1 cup and spoon  
2 jackets  
1 shirt  
1 sweater  
1 hooded sweatshirt  
1 math book  
1 book from the Hunt Library, Nashua, N.H.  
1 book "Basic Facts of Body Water and Ions."  
5 notebooks  
1 hairbrush  
1 contact lens holder  
1 belt to a coat  
1 ladies watch

Please claim these items.

TRACK NOTE — Interested in indoor track? Like to be a member of the upcoming FSC Track Team? If so see Coach Sheehan in the gym this week. Arrangements for tryouts will be made immediately.

## Autumn Dance

Taxpayers for Bob Hall will be holding an Autumn Dance on Friday, November 21st. The dance will start at 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Lancaster Street in Leominster.

Tickets will be \$5 per person or \$2.50 per student, and may be purchased by sending a personal check to Taxpayers for Bob Hall, 55 Fox Street, Fitchburg, by calling 345-2888, or at the door.

Music will be provided by The Ray Lamothe Quartet.

## Gay Union

The Homophile Union of Massachusetts invites any members of the college community interested in any aspects of the Gay-bisexual Lifestyles to write to: H.U.M., P.O. Box 262, Fitchburg, Mass. We are open to both men and women and offer a wide variety of activities for members, including gay counselling. If you are interested, please write to us, we already have members among the student body. Don't be alone this semester, join us at our weekly Thursday evening meetings, held in the former T. B. Building, in the rear of Burbank Hospital, from 8 to 10 p.m. See you there!

The Choral Arts Association of Fitchburg State College announces the election of the following officers for the coming year:

President	Todd Goodwin, Box 3007
Vice-President	Joyce Markunas, Box 4003
Secretary	Barbara Beltz
Treasurer	Karen Dynice, Box 2385
Manager	John Donnelly, Box 2306

The Concert Choir, under the direction of Mr. David Rousseau, conducts rehearsals every Monday night at 6:30 p.m. They will be performing in the annual Christmas Concert, Wednesday evening, December 10, at the Weston Auditorium. There is no charge and students and the public are encouraged to attend.

## FINANCIAL AID

Students who have been awarded National Direct Loans for the first semester, are requested to come to the Financial Aid Office and pick up their checks. Kindly check your mailbox for particulars.

Thank you,  
Duane E. Armstrong

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Sign up at the Campus Center Information Desk immediately. You will not regret the experience, come in and find out more about it.

## ALPHA PHI OMEGA

With Thanksgiving right around the corner the brothers of Alpha Phi Omega are almost done with another beneficial semester. We have had many successful activities including mailing of college admissions catalogs, aid to campus office staff, a project at Burbank Hospital, the annual book exchange, and a join clean-up at the LUK Crisis Center with the Philodemic Society.

We are also proud to announce that eleven new brothers have been taken into the brotherhood of Omicron Psi. These are Richard Barbour, David Burwell, Dan Dailey, Robert Dicker, David Charubini, Patrick Lenegan, Richard Marchle, John Mockler, James Samadelis, Robert Dennett and Wayne Cowart. We wish these new brothers and the new brothers and sisters of all the Frats and sororities the best of luck.

## ARMENIAN CLUB

Students and faculty members of Armenian lineage are cordially welcomed to join in the formation of an Armenian Club on campus. Activities will consist of the fostering of Armenian culture; dances, dining and working with Armenian members of the community in campus and social endeavors. Any students interested in Near Eastern customs or cuisine are welcome. For information, contact Mr. Harry Semerjian in Room 313, Thompson Hall or write FSC, P.O. Box 5282.



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AUTOGRAPHING PARTY

Professor George F. Steffanides' three Pub-  
lished Books will be on display at the Book  
Store on November 24th, Monday, from opening  
to closing; the author will be autographing  
purchased copies between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m.



# ENTERTAINMENT

## Rod Stewart & Faces



Last Columbus Day is one many Rod Stewart fans will never forget, for he put on one of those fine shows which he does so masterfully. The concert started in Boston Garden (on time which is quite unusual) at eight o'clock with Peter Frampton. Just two numbers by Frampton told us he was not just any ordinary back-up group. He had the audience captivated by his excellent guitar. The accent was on hard rock. The crowd jumped to their feet at the end of his set and gratefully gave him a standing ovation. This left everyone ready for the super concert to come.

When Stewart came on stage with The Faces you knew that it wouldn't be just "one of those concerts", but instead one that you'd never forget. Rod's extraordinary style combined with the talents of Ronny Wood and his guitar, Ian McLagan on the keyboards, and the superb talent of Kenny Jones on the drums,

turned this night into a fantastic concert. When they came on stage at nine the audience went to their feet where they stayed until eleven thirty when it was over.

Stewart easily pleased the crowd with his wild stage antics, tossing the mike and stand in the air like a baton, guzzling quarts of whiskey and dancing wildly. The electricity of Ron Wood's guitar ripped through the audience and Kenny Jones' drums glued their eyes to the stage clapping to every beat.

Stewart and the Faces ended with a long rowdy version of "Twisting the Night Away", and we couldn't stay still. The unbelievable excitement was too much to hold in and we called out for more, which they easily provided us with.

An exciting and rowdy evening was had by all including Stewart and Faces.

Signed  
"The Diatoms"

## The big band is back

The big band is alive and well and living on campus in the form of the FSC Jazz-Rock Ensemble. The group consists of 19 FSC musicians who perform all kinds of big band music from the golden oldies of the '30s and '40s up to the latest jazz and rock charts. They will be performing an informal concert in the new Student Union building on Tuesday afternoon, November 25 from 5-5 p.m. The after-classes and before-dinner event will feature tunes written and arranged by Stevie Wonder, Glen Miller, Chicago, Tony Newley, Carole King, Duke Ellington and many

others. Bring your dancing shoes!

The F.S.C. Jazz-Rock Ensemble is led by Frank Patterson and its members include: Saxophones, Dave Jensen, Bob Shea, Joanne Delaney, Vonda LaCroix and Karen Petruska; Trumpets, Jeff Williams, Paul Gervais, Fred Bernhardt, Gail Giordano, and John DeCicco; Trombones, Tim McCann, Mike Thorpe, Charles Morey and Gus Cousins; Lead-Guitar, Bob Gauthier; Rhythm-Guitar, Beth Wilton; Bass, Ray Lucier; Piano, Patti Sullivan; and Drums, Carl Mountain.

## "To boat owners only"

Twin brothers were named Joe and John Jones. The single brother was the proud owner of a dilapidated boat. It happened that John's wife died the same day that Joe's boat sunk. A few days later, a kindly old lady met Joe on the street and mistaking him for John said, "Oh, I am so sorry to hear about your great loss." "You must feel terrible." Then Joe spoke up saying, "Well, I'm not the least bit worried, she was a rotten old thing from the beginning. Her bottom was all shriveled up and she smelled like a dead fish and even the first time I got into her she made water

faster than anything I had ever seen. She had a bad crack in the back and a pretty big hole in the front. The hole got bigger every time I used her, and she leaked like anything. But this is what finished her. Four guys from the other side of town, looking for a good time, asked if I would rent her to them. I warned them that she wasn't so hot. But they said they would take a crack at her anyhow. The result was the crazy fools all tried to get into her at once. It was too much for her, she cracked right up the middle." At this point, the old lady fainted.

## Campus Chautauqua

Dr. Griffin said that there is a need for more student-faculty interaction in an informal, non-classroom setting. The talks are given in the dorm because they should be held "where the students live." He feels that more "collegiate," cultural activities should be available to the students, and that the Campus Chautauqua is a good start in that direction.

Already this semester, Dr. Fullman had discussed "Is Assertiveness Feminine?". Dr. Anderson gave a lecture about keeping plants in a dorm room and Mr. Tapply talked about the behavioral significance of language. For the remainder of the semester, Louis Shepherd will show some films about Spain, entitled "Interface a la Espanol," and Norman Fredette will discuss the applications of physics to automotive design and handling. These talks will be given on December 2 and 9, respectively.

With more involvement, this program may be extended into the other dorms. It is still fairly new, though, and it is hard for some faculty members to return to FSC in the evening. In spite of this, the Campus Chautauqua should continue to grow and benefit the college community.

"Chautauqua" in the last century meant a series of traveling lecturers who went out to inform and entertain their listeners. Today, at Fitchburg State, we have a similar program.

The Campus Chautauqua was conceived last semester by Dr. Joseph Griffin of the Math department. About twice a month, on Tuesday evenings, there is an informal talk given by a member of the FSC faculty for any interested students. The talks are given in the New Women's Residence Hall, and are open to anyone, not just dorm students.

LORENA CRIMMINS

## Student essay contest offers \$6,000 awards

Students in college or graduate school have an opportunity to win a top award of \$2,500 cash plus a \$2,500 research or travel grant in an essay contest on welfare reform sponsored by The Institute for Socioeconomic Studies.

Leonard M. Greene, Institute president, said the award will be made for the best 10,000-word paper on the subject "Income Supplementation -- A Solution to America's Welfare Crisis."

A second prize of \$1,000 cash and up to ten consolation prizes of \$100 each also will be awarded. The staff and trustees of The Institute will be judges.

The research program of the non-profit foundation of White Plains, N.Y. is focused on exploring possible reform of United States welfare policy.

Deadline for entry of papers is March 1, 1976. The essay contest winners will receive their awards at a presentation ceremony in Washington, D.C. early in May, 1976. While in Washington, both the essay winner and runner-up will meet with ranking members of Congress in a symposium on welfare reform to be sponsored by The Institute for Socioeconomic Studies.

In announcing the competition, Mr. Greene said its objective is "to encourage America's students to think constructively about the vast problems caused by the failure to present U.S. socioeconomic policy."

Entrants' papers, he said may give consideration to such topics as an evaluation of existing welfare programs, techniques of income supplementation, and how work incentives are affected by present welfare policy and how that might be altered by adoption of an income supplement.

The Institute will have the option of publishing winning papers, Mr. Greene said. During 1975, the Institute has published two monographs,

"Great Britain's Tax Credit Income Supplement", incorporating a paper by the Rt. Hon. Lord Barber, T.D., and "Social Welfare Abroad", a comparative study of the social insurance and public assistance programs of industrialized democracies throughout the world by Bette K. Fishbein, staff economist of The Institute for Socioeconomic Studies.

Currently planned for publication is an analysis by former U.S. Representative Martha W. Griffiths of Congress' next major effort to develop welfare reform legislation.

The Institute reserves the right to cancel the first and second prizes if, in the sole judgement of the judges, no suitable papers are submitted.

Registration forms and complete information about the student essay contest may be obtained by writing to Essay Contest Director, The Institute for Socioeconomic Studies, Airport Road, White Plains, N.Y. 10604.

## 'Shark-ing victory'

Congratulations to Jim Walsh, the 'sharkest' contestant in the 1975 Cribbage Tournament. With an audience of 30 people -3 of whom were his own cheering squad- he snatched a victory from the runner-up contestant Lauren Hyde.

Twelve adventurous participants joined in the competition at the Campus Center on Saturday, Nov. 8. The day was filled with laughs and thrills as each set of players battled each other for the title of champion and two complementary passes to a movie of their choice offered by the Cultural Events Committee.

The Campus Center wishes to thank all of the contestants for their show of sportsmanship, and we wish you better luck in the next tournament (hearts) to be held on Saturday, Nov. 15, 1975.

## Fitchburg State College takes part in National Theatre Festival

The Players Guild of FSC has announced that it will be presenting its next production - Lanford Wilson's "The Rimers of Eldritch" - as part of the annual American College Theatre Festival. This national program is produced by the American Theatre Association in cooperation with the John F. Kennedy Center and the Alliance for Arts Education. Over 300 colleges and 10,000 students will participate locally. This will be followed by 13 regional festivals and climaxed by the national event in Washington D.C. The festival is made possible through grants from the Amoco Oil Company.

"The Rimers of Eldritch" is a strong drama, depicting the hypocrisy of a small mid-western town and the tangled web of the lives of its citizens. It is especially frightening because Eldritch could, in fact,

be any town in the United States. The characters are as real and immediate as the friends, family, and acquaintances with whom we grew up. It is a menacing view of the prejudice and malice which lies buried in our society.

The cast includes Leslie Barnhart, Robbie Biggs, Deborah Coderre, Andrea Dodge, John Fetting, Lillian Gross, Mary-ellen Gross, Elizabeth Kusek, Janet Lang, Phil Larkin, Phyllis Liberman, Katherine Ploof, Skip Rudolph, Chuck Tousignant, Robin Ultich, Chuck Vail, and Eugene Casassa. The performance is produced and directed by Mr. Eugene Casassa. "The Rimers of Eldritch" will be shown on the FSC campus December 11, 12, and 13. COME AND ENJOY THE SHOW!

Robin Ultich



## It pays to increase your word power

- 1) MA HOUT': A-mother owl; B-yellow stuff that forms on white sox; C-elephant keeper; D-French plumber
- 2) I CON: A-Irish foot growth; B-small statue; C-admission of being prisoner; D-sacred image
- 3) HON' EY DEW: A-lover's plea; B-sweet moisture found on leaves in A.M.; C-sweet plant substance; D-all of above
- 4) A-BUT: A-push aside; B-rest against; C-small cigarette; D-place where adults threaten to kick you
- 5) LAM: A-wooly animal; B-beat up; C-beat off; D-injury
- 6) AB'' A LO'NE: A-bird; B-type of sandwich; C-town; D-snail
- 7) RI POSTE': A-clever retort; B-starting point of horserace; C-post made from rye; D-mark on the back of piano
- 8) YOICKS: A-exclamation of excitement; B-type of shoe; C-cry of fox hunter; D-gun
- 9) MEN' DI CANT: A-unable to be fixed; B-inability of mendi; C-beggar; D-singer
- 10) HAS LET: A-woman of questionable morals; B-past permission; C-eye of a newt; D-heart of a hog

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